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March 13, 2003

VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re:

Notice of Ex Parte Meeting by Core Communications, Inc.

WC Docket No. 02-384

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, I hereby submit, on behalf of Core Communications, Inc. ("Core"), in the above-captioned proceeding, this notice of an *ex parte* meeting held on March 13, 2003 between Chris Van de Verg, General Counsel of Core, Michael Hazzard of Kelley Drye & Warren, myself, and Christopher Libertelli of Chairman Powell's office. Also in attendance were Clint Odom, Karen Zacharia and Jim Pachulski of Verizon. The attached presentation and supporting materials were distributed and discussed at the meeting.

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary March 13, 2003 Page Two

In accordance with the Commission's rules, this letter and attachments are being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies of this submission are being provided to the attendees. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact myself at (202) 887-1284 or Michael Hazzard at (202) 887-1240.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather T. Hendrickson

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Enclosures

cc: Christopher Libertelli

Verizon Section 271 Proceeding WC 02-384

Agenda

- Checklist Item 1 Interconnection
 - Entrance Facility
 - Network Modification
 - ANI

Checklist Items 2, 4, & 5– UNEs

- Dark Fiber
- Public Interest

271 Compliance Statutory Requirement

• As stated by the FCC:

"In demonstrating its compliance, a BOC must show that it has a **concrete and specific legal obligation** to furnish the item upon request pursuant to state-approved interconnection agreements that set forth prices and other terms and conditions for each checklist items, and that it is currently furnishing, or is **ready to furnish**, the checklist item in quantities that competitors may reasonably demand and at an acceptable level of quality." *Qwest 271 Order, FCC 02-333 Appendix K-3 (Dec. 23, 2002)*

- Verizon has not met this statutory obligation
- Although a "legal obligation" may exist, Verizon is not "furnishing" interconnection or dark fiber UNEs "at an acceptable level of quality"

Checklist Item 1 -- Interconnection

• Entrance Facility Interconnection

Network Modifications (EB-01-MD-007)

ANI

Checklist Item 1 – Interconnection Entrance Facility

- Verizon's entrance facility interconnection practices and policies violate checklist item (i)
- Verizon has refused in every instance to interconnect with Core over existing facilities in violation of section 251(c)(2)'s:
 - technical feasibility standard
 - equal in quality standard
 - nondiscrimination standard

Checklist Item 1 – Interconnection Entrance Facility

- Verizon's refusal to utilize existing facilities for interconnection has delayed Core's interconnection in
 - Baltimore (1999)
 - Mount Airy (1999-2000)
 - Damascus (2000-2001)
 - Salisbury (2002-2003)
- In spite of Verizon's commitment to MDPSC to interconnect with Core in Salisbury, nothing has happened to date
- Verizon's "proposed contract amendment" is inadequate
 - Never approved by the MDPSC
 - Never provisioned by Verizon
- Verizon is not "furnishing" this item

Checklist Item 1 – Interconnection Entrance Facility

- Maryland PSC has recognized Verizon's "policy" of not providing technically feasible means of interconnection
- Maryland PSC Staff Counsel "believes that it is anticompetitive to deny a CLEC access to loop facilities because it gives Verizon the advantage of serving the customer immediately while the CLECs are waiting for facilities to be built." Staff Counsel Initial Brief – Case No. 8881
- As stated by MD PSC Staff Counsel, "failing to provide trunking over loop facilities when such trunking is available and when it is requested by CLEC does present a barrier to competition." Staff Counsel Initial Brief Case No. 8881

Checklist Item 1 – Interconnection Entrance Facility

- In a 2/11/03 Ex Parte, Verizon reiterated its argument that the interconnection agreement between Core and Verizon requires Verizon to provide interconnection that is equal in quality to its own interoffice trunks and accordingly, if Verizon provides interconnection over shared loop facilities, it would have violated the interconnection agreement
- MD PSC Staff Counsel also states that Verizon has "...mischaracterized its obligations under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the 'Act') to provide interconnection on terms that are 'equal in quality'"

Staff Counsel Reply Brief - Case No. 8881

Checklist Item 1 – Interconnection Network Modification (EB-01-MD-007)

- Verizon similarly refuses to make technically feasible modifications to its network to accommodate interconnection
- Refusal to provide a simple cross connect caused Core's Damascus interconnection project to take over 270 days
- Subject of FCC Complaint (EB-01-MD-007) and Mandamus Petition (FCC Response due 3/28/03; Core Reply due 4/7/03)

Checklist Item 1 – Interconnection ANI

- Verizon refuses to pass ANI (automatic number identifier) to Core over interconnection trunks, even though it is technically feasible to do so
- ANI is critical call routing information, and the lack thereof materially handicaps Core's ability to deploy new services
- Verizon passes ANI over FGD Trunks the service Verizon concedes is a "retail analog" of interconnection trunks

Checklist Items 2, 4, & 5 Dark Fiber

- Inquiry request designed to fail
- Of Core's 30 requests
 - 4 not processed (interLATA)
 - 18 two business days late
 - 5 at least five business days late
 - 6 rejected for no facilities
 - All "loop" requests denied
 - Including one Core interconnection point (48 incoming strands 40 not utilized)
 - Preparing "field survey" request

Checklist Items 2, 4, & 5 Dark Fiber

- Verizon will not provision a dark fiber transport circuit across LATA boundaries, even though
 - No such restriction exists in interconnection agreement amendment
 - No such restriction exists in FCC rules
- Verizon is relying on its "Handbook"

Public Interest

- The local market in Maryland is not irreversibly open to competition
- ISP service is the ONLY success point of entry in Maryland
- CLECs terminate over 37x the traffic they originate in Maryland
- Verizon has paid short shrift to its commitments to the MDPSC

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BACKGROUND

Background

- Annapolis-based carrier founded in 1997
- Facilities-based
- Became profitable in 2000
- Reinvesting profits in company
- Focused on developing telecom infrastructure used by regional Internet Service Providers
- Primary service in Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Delaware (Maryland Eastern Shore)

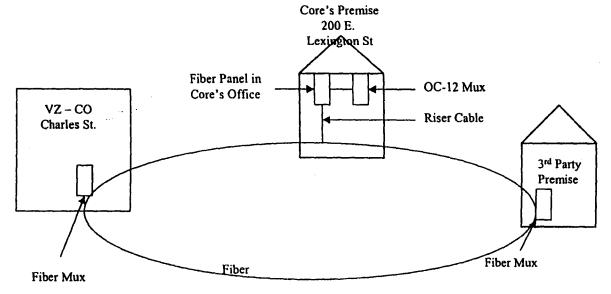
Success-Based Business Plan

- Core is a real, traditional startup
- Pay as you grow build out network incrementally
 - Baltimore (1999)
 - Mt. Airy, Easton, Damascus (1999-2000)
 - New York City, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh (2001)
 - Harrisburg (2002)
 - Altoona, Salisbury, Wilkes-Barre (2003)
- Core presently accounts for over 15% of Verizon's interconnection traffic in Maryland, and substantially all of Verizon's interconnection traffic on the Eastern Shore of Maryland

Success-Based Business Plan

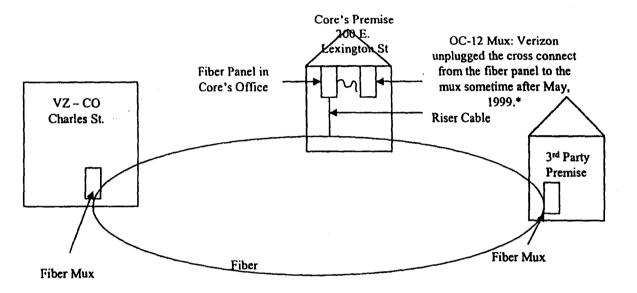
- Focus on what you know -- Telco needs of regional ISPs
 - Modem services (1999)
 - Bandwidth services (2000)
 - 100 Megabit Ethernet services (2001)
 - Beta electronic fax service (2002)
- As technology matures, add services
 - Unified messaging (facilities under construction)
 - IP-based voice services (facilities under construction)

Loop (OC-12 Ring – As built by Verizon in May 1999)



OC-12 Loop Ring

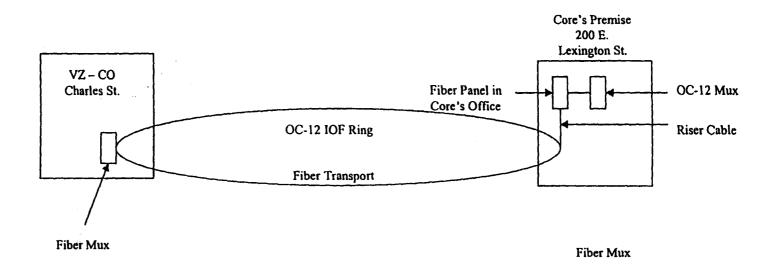
Loop (OC-12 Ring – Post-Disconnect)



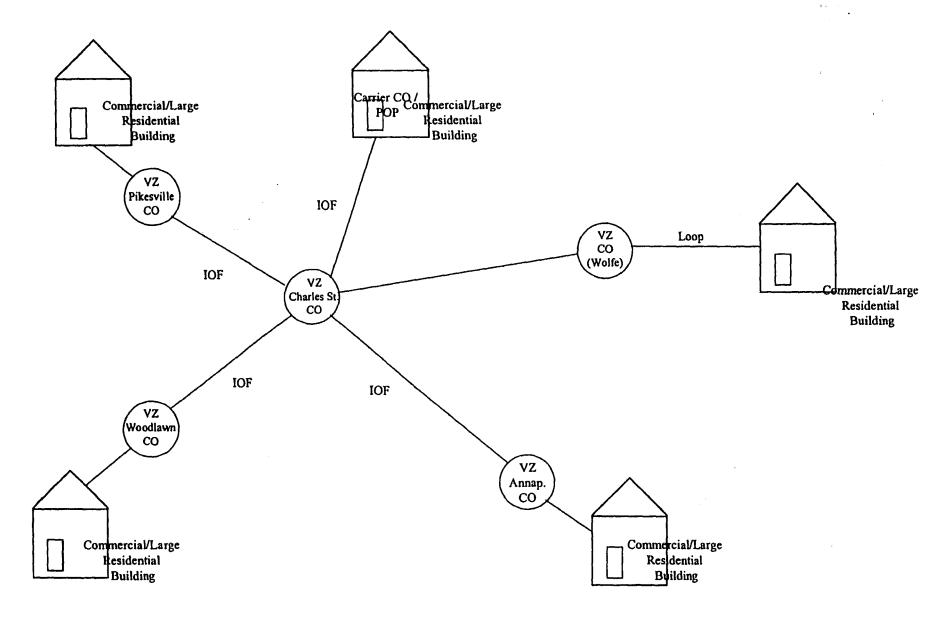
OC-12 Loop Ring

^{*} According to Verizon witness Albert, the mux was unplugged prior to the August 11, 1999 interconnection implementation meeting. According to Core witness Mingo, the mux was unplugged after the August 11 meeting.

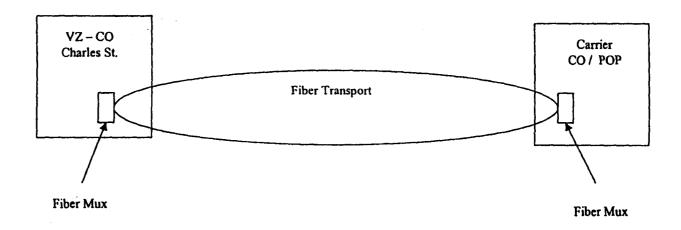
IOF (Final Configuration with Core – Nov. 1999)



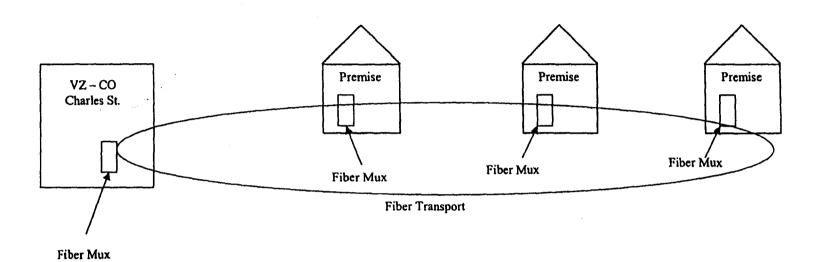
IOF vs. Loop



IOF



Loop



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March 11, 2003

VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

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Re:

Follow-up to Ex Parte Meeting by Core Communications, Inc.

WC Docket No. 02-384

Dear Mr. Maher:

This letter serves as a follow-up to our March 5, 2003 ex parte meeting with Core Communications, Inc. ("Core") regarding Verizon's pending 271 Application for Maryland. During our meeting, you and members of your team, raised questions regarding Core's position that Verizon's failure to provide Core with Automatic Number Identification ("ANI") for local calls over multi-frequency ("MF") trunks demonstrates that Verizon has not met its statutory obligation for compliance with section 271 Checklist Item (i). In particular, members of your team indicated that the Commission, specifically the Office of Engineering and Technology, has been presented with support for Verizon's position that it is technically infeasible to provide ANI over MF trunks.

Checklist Item (i) requires that the BOC provide interconnection in accordance with sections 251(c)(2) and 251(d)(2), 47 U.S.C. § 271(c)(2)(B)(i). According to the Commission, in order for a BOC to meet its statutory obligation for compliance with a 271 Checklist Item, it must show that it has a "concrete and specific legal obligation to provide the item requested" and is "currently furnishing, or is ready to furnish, the checklist items in quantities that competitors may reasonably demand and at an acceptable level of quality." See Application by Qwest Communications International, Inc. for Authorization to Provide In-Region, InterLATA Services in the State of Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 17 FCC Rcd 26303, Appendix K-3 (Dec. 23, 2002).

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William Maher Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau March 11, 2003 Page Two

As demonstrated by the attached declarations of two independent network engineers, Mr. Lawrence J. Chu (a long time New York Telephone employee) and Mr. Robert A. Hart, provisioning ANI over MF local interconnection trunks is technically feasible. In fact, Verizon has provisioned MF trunks utilizing the equal access signaling protocol, which includes ANI, for local interconnection. We hope that inclusion into the record of the attached declarations will assist the Commission in recognizing that Verizon's repeated contention that providing ANI over MF trunks is technically infeasible is incorrect; and furthermore, that Verizon's continued failure to provide such interconnection features to Core demonstrates that Verizon is not in compliance with section 271 Checklist Item (i). Both Mr. Chu and Mr. Hart are available to discuss the technical feasibility of providing ANI over MF local interconnection trunks with your team as necessary to resolve this issue.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, this letter and attachments are being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies of this submission are being provided to the attendees from the Wireline Competition Bureau and Verizon. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact myself at (703) 918-2300 or Heather Hendrickson at (202) 887-1284.

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BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

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West Virginia Inc., Bell Atlantic)	WC Docket No. 02-384
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Long Distance), NYNEX Long)	•
Distance Company (d/b/a Verizon)	
Enterprise Solutions), Verizon Global)	
Networks Inc., and Verizon Select)	
Services Inc., for Authorization To)	
Provide In-Region, InterLATA Services)	
in Maryland, Washington, D.C., and)	
West Virginia)	

DECLARATION OF LAWRENCE J. CHU ON BEHALF OF CORE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

I. INTRODUCTION

- 1. My name is Lawrence J. Chu. My qualifications are set forth below.
- 2. My career spans over thirty (30) years in the telecommunications industry. 1 am currently with the Mediacom Consulting Group, L.L.C. located at 666 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017. I currently provide consulting support to new entrant local exchange carriers in all aspects of telecommunications. I also perform research for Nippon Telephone and Telegraph on a variety of telecommunications issues.
- 3. Prior experience has included assignments in New York Telephone, AT&T,
 NYNEX/Bell Atlantic and Bell Communications Research. Throughout my
 career with these companies, I have held positions of assistant engineer, engineer,
 and supervising engineer in various engineering and network assignments in local
 telephone operations, including switching administration, electronic switching

systems administration and translations, special services, operations planning, central office design and equipment engineering. My other professional assignments include: leading the Bell Atlantic witness team in a New York proceeding on reciprocal compensation and Internet calls; leading the Bell Atlantic team that developed all wholesale tariffs in compliance with the Competitive Checklist for New York; developing NYNEX's Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions; negotiator for interconnection agreements under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, completing ten agreements; planning and negotiating the first competitive interconnection agreements for local exchange competition in the country; consulting at Bellcore with various Bell companies on access market and new business opportunity issues; developing the NYNEX Open Network Architecture ("ONA") Plan; providing technical regulatory support during divestiture for the development of the access tariffs. I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering from Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.

II. <u>VERIZON'S ASSERTION THAT IT IS TECHNICALLY INFEASIBLE TO</u> PASS ANI ON LOCAL CALLS OVER MF TRUNKS IS INCORRECT

4. The purpose of my Declaration is to respond to Verizon's statement in the Reply Declaration of Paul A. Lacouture and Virginia R. Rusterholz Regarding Maryland and the District of Columbia and West Virginia that Verizon's switches cannot pass ANI information over MF trunks used for local interconnection. Paragraph 143 of this Reply Declaration states:

Core also claims that Verizon has a "policy" not to pass Automatic Number Identification ("ANI") information over Multi-Frequency ("MF") trunks to CLECs. This is not a matter of policy, but rather a technical reality. Verizon's switches cannot pass ANI information on local calls over MF trunks. Verizon switches can only pass ANI information on interexchange (long distance) calls. Contrary to Core's assertions, Verizon does not, and cannot, pass ANI information on local calls over MF trunks to CLECs that provide long distance service.

- 5. In my experience in negotiating and implementing interconnection agreements, Verizon can and has provisioned MF trunks utilizing the equal access signaling protocol (which includes ANI) for local interconnection so that Verizon and the CLEC could provide the same features to the CLEC's end users that Verizon provides to its end users. There is no issue of "technical feasibility" in provisioning this basic functionality.
- 6. The implementation of these MF trunks utilizing the equal access signaling protocol for local interconnection was not difficult. The CLEC obtained a Carrier Identification Code, which enable the switch translations in the Verizon switches to deliver calls to the MF trunks with the equal access signaling protocol. There was no need for any assistance from the various switch vendors to implement these trunks.
- 7. If these MF trunks utilizing equal access signaling were not deployed, end users switching from Verizon to the CLEC would lose features that depend on the delivery of ANI. The most popular feature that would not work would be the caller identification feature. Without ANI, a CLEC end user would not receive

any caller number identification on calls from Verizon end users. Similarly, calls from a CLEC end user to a Verizon end user would also not provide caller identification. To meet the goal of the Telecommunications Act that customers be able to switch local exchange carriers transparently, the MF trunk with equal access signaling provided such transparency.

- 8. Another requirement that MF trunks utilize the equal access signaling protocol is that both Verizon and the CLEC need to create billing records on terminating calls in order to bill reciprocal compensation. The MF trunk utilizing the equal access signaling protocol provides terminating recording. The MF trunk that Verizon used for local calling did not have the capability to record incoming calls. The MF trunk utilizing the equal access signaling protocol provided this capability as well.
- 9. The implementation of the MF trunks utilizing the equal access signaling protocol is compatible with the Signaling System 7 ("SS7") technology. Calls can be routed throughout the Verizon network via SS7 and need only be converted to MF trunks utilizing equal access signaling protocol in the switch that interconnects with the CLEC. For new entrants this is usually at the Verizon tandem.
- 10. The Verizon position is carefully stated as to exclude MF trunks that utilize the equal access signaling protocol from it discussion. While the equal access signaling protocol feature was developed for interconnection with interexchange carriers, the protocol can be used in other applications, including local interconnection. In some other Verizon states, the MF trunks that utilize the equal access signaling protocol for local interconnection are able to deliver exchange

- access traffic as well. The delivery of ANI enables Verizon and the CLEC to separate local traffic from toll and access traffic and to bill the proper tariffed rate for all three types of traffic over the same MF trunk group.
- 11. The Verizon position is not compatible with how local interconnection was implemented to meet the Telecommunications Act. MF interconnection without the capabilities provided by the equal access signaling protocol would limit the ability of the CLEC to compete effectively and to bill for reciprocal compensation, or otherwise rate calls for billing purposes.
- 12. Verizon also states that CPN is not ANI and that CPN is part of the SS7 standards and is only used with SS7 trunks on both local and long distance calls. Verizon may be technically correct but in practical applications, ANI has been used to provide caller identification services before conversions to SS7 for interconnection with interexchange carriers became available. As a new entrant, Core Communications will use ANI in lieu of CPN until it can upgrade its network.
- 13. Finally, Verizon ignores its own Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions (SGAT). Section 3.0 of the Verizon Maryland SGAT states in Footnote 1 that "Initial implementation will be multi-frequency pending SS7 certification is achieved." While the grammar of the footnote is questionable, the intent is clear that Verizon is still requiring possible MF trunk implementation. What type of MF trunk would Verizon implement that enables the billing and recording of terminating usage and that provides the ANI to enable end user features to operate? The MF trunk that Verizon appears to offer in this

proceeding without ANI and possibly terminating recording will not provide the necessary functionality to conform to the goals and requirements of the Telecommunications Act.

14. In my experience, the MF trunk utilizing equal access signaling protocol (which includes ANI) has been the only MF trunk type that provides feature transparency to the end user and billing information necessary for reciprocal compensation billing. Verizon can and has passed ANI of MF trunks used for local interconnection.

III. CONCLUSION

- 15. As I demonstrated above, it is technically feasible to provide ANI over MF trunks. Verizon can and has provisioned MF trunks utilizing the equal access signaling protocol (which includes ANI) for local interconnection.
- 16. This concludes my declaration.

I declare under the laws of the United States that the statements presented herein are true and correct.

Executed on March 11, 2003

INITIAL NETWORK IMPLEMENTATION SCHEDULE FOR MARYLAND

In accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of the Agreement, the Companies shall make their best efforts to meet the following initial Milestones no later than the listed Dates.

LATA in Maryland	Milestone	Date
LATA	LATA Start Date	
	SS7 Certification, Collocation,	
	Operator Services/DA Facilities, and	1
	NXX(s) Applied For	<u> </u>
	Companies Agree on Trunking	
	Arrangements and IPs for Traffic)
	Exchange	
	Valid Access Service Request(s)	į į
	("ASEs") for Traffic Exchange Trunk	1
	Groups and Routing Information Received	
	by BA	
	Valid Orders for 911 Facilities	ĺ
	Received by BA	
	All Trunks (Traffic Exchange, Operator	1
	Services/DA, 911) Tested and Turned Up	
	Arrangements for Alternate-Billed Calls	
	Agreed Upon	
	Call-through Testing Completed;	
	"Interconnection Activation Date"	

Failure of a Party or the Parties to meet an earlier Milestone Date shall not relieve either Company of the responsibility to make its best efforts to meet subsequent Milestone Date(s) in the LATA, unless, and only to the extent that, the subsequent Milestone Date(s) depend on the timely completion of such earlier Milestone Date.

SS7 certification scheduling depends on actual schedule availability at time of request. Initial implementation will be multi-frequency pending SS7 certification is achieved.

² Intervals for IDLC collocation arrangements for VG ULL capability are 60 days for Virtual Collocation and 120 days for Physical Collocation from the date the arrangement is applied for.

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in Maryland, Washington, D.C., and)	
West Virginia)	

DECLARATION OF ROBERT A. HART IV, P.E. ON BEHALF OF CORE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

- 1. My name Robert A. (Drew) Hart. I am a registered professional engineer in electrical engineering, and I presently work as CCG Consulting, Inc. in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. I have over 30 years practice of communications engineering and cofounding communications ventures. I have provided engineering consulting services to communications providers of all types, including BellSouth, various rural incumbent local exchange carriers, and a variety of wireless companies. I am a 1970 graduate of Louisiana State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering.
- 2. The purpose of this declaration is to demonstrate that it is technically feasible to pass Automatic Number Identification ("ANT") over Multi-Frequency ("MF") trunks used for local interconnection.
- 3. Based on my review of the Reply Declaration of Paul A. Lacouture and Virginia R. Rusterholz, Verizon appears to be claiming it cannot provide ANI in a "local 10 digit" situation. This position is simply incorrect. ANI can be passed over MF trunks used for local service just as it can be passed over MF trunks used for long distance service, and other services like 911 and Operator Services.

II. BACKGROUND

- 4. Before divestiture in 1984 most signaling between switching systems was MF signaling. The "called number" was always included in signaling or no calls could be completed by the interconnecting system. Many times the ANI ("calling number") was sent in addition to the "called number." These situations where the "calling number" or ANI was sent usually involved situations where the handling of the call "up-stream" needed to "know" who is placing the call or for billing purposes.
 - 5. After divestiture, Feature Group D ("FGD") was established primarily to enable "equal access" to long distance, interexchange carriers ("IXCs"). In FGD, ANI is sent first to the upstream switching system so that the IXC trunk group could be identified from a presubscription database. Then the called party information would be transmitted after a "wink signal." This was a significant change in signaling in all RBOC central offices, and was implemented across the entire network during the mid to late 1980s. FGD was by no means the first situation in which ANI was passed between carriers. Indeed, ANI was passed over MF trunks for substantially more than a decade before divestiture.
 - 6. From an engineering standpoint, signaling and associated protocol are completely separate from the name a product is given in a tariffed product. For example FGD is a tariffed product that can be provisioned to IXCs over MF trunks. From an engineering perspective, whether the carrier is providing local service, IXC service, or some other type of service is irrelevant to the underlying capabilities of MF trunks. For purposes of this declaration, the fundamental point is that it is technically feasible to pass ANI over MF trunks (local or IXC) the technology simply does not depend on the regulatory classification of the traffic (e.g., local or long distance).

IIL IT IS TECHNICALLY FEASIBLE TO PASS ANI OVER MF LOCAL INTERCONNECTION TRUNKS

- 7. There can be simply no doubt that it is technically feasible to pass ANI over MF trunks, regardless of whether the trunks are "local" or "long distance." ANI can be passed over MF trunks used for local service just as it can be passed over MF trunks used for long distance service, and other services like 911 and Operator Services.
- 8. Since 1984, the RBOCs have implemented equal access (which requires ANI to be forwarded even in an MF environment), SS7, E911, etc. There is no technical reason that Verizon could not simply add a local exchange carrier's name to Verizon's presubscribed database and provide ANI over MF local interconnection trunks.
- 9. From a technical standpoint, passing ANI over MF local interconnection trunks is straightforward, as demonstrated by documentation contained in Telcordia's engineering "Blue Book" (an excerpt of which I have attached). Telcordia's Notes On The Network SR-2275, Issue 4, October 2000 (the latest issue) provides:

Customer dials (10XXXXX) + (0/1) + (NPA) + NXX + additional 4 digits

- 1. EAEO seize signal to AT
- 2. Wink back from AT to EAEO
- 3. Originating EAEO send KP + 0ZZ + XXXX + ST to AT [XXXX=CAC]
- 4. AT seize to interconnecting carrier
- 5. Wink back from interconnecting carrier to AT (timed)
- 6. Wink from AT to EAEO (timed)
- 7. KP + II + ANI + ST or KP ST from EAEO to interconnecting carrier

After Customer has Completed Dialing XXXX (the last 4 digits)

- 8. KP + (0) + 7/10Digits + ST from EAEO to interconnecting carrier
- 9. Acknowledge Wink from interconnecting carrier to AT (not timed in AT)
- 10. Acknowledge Wink from AT to EAEO (not timed in AT)
- 11. Answer Supervision (optional) from interconnecting carrier to AT
- 12. Answer Supervision (optional) from AT to EAEO

AT=Access Tandem
EAEO=Equal Access End office
ST=Start signal
Wink="change in signal state of about 100ms - hook flash"
KP=Key pulse signal
0ZZ=spare tandem center code for administration - 4 maximum
II=information digits (i.e., coin call, etc.)

CAC=Carrier Access Code

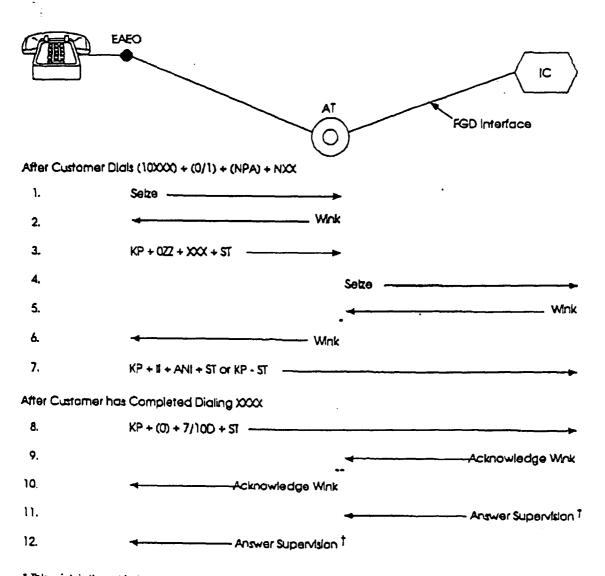
Critical to this example is the line immediately preceding step "1" above. Telcordia uses "()" to demonstrate fields that are optional for routing. The EAEO/AT switching systems can perform equal access signaling with or without the "1" or "0" prefix optional digit, and then record and forward the ANI in an MF signaling environment over local interconnection trunks. Thus, Verizon's stated claim that it is not technically feasibile to do so is incorrect.

9. Verizon may have other unstated reasons for not wanting to pass ANI over local interconnection trunks, but I can only respond to the statements have made in there filings in this proceeding do date.

I declare under the laws of the United States that the statements presented herein are true and correct.

Robert A. Hart IV, P.E.

March 11, 2003



^{*} This wink is timed in tandem for both time of arrival and length of wink to end office.

Figure 6-52. Originating Signaling Sequence — Via Access Tandem — FGD

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[&]quot;This wink is not timed in tandem.

¹ True answer supervision may or may not be provided.